

**CITY OF FINLAYSON PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**  
**Work Group Meeting**  
**May 19, 2025 at 1:00 PM at City Hall**

**ROLL CALL:** Dennis Liebelt, Nancy Liebelt, Bruce Pogatchnik, Dave Auchter, Marge Haefner, Josette Koets. Absent: Jeff Flaws (excused), Rev Nate Konkel. Guests present: Roland Henkel and Penny Simonsen (East Central Regional Development Commission-ECRDC)

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:** Review Commercial and Industrial Goals of the 2004 Comprehensive Plan with Penny Simonsen-ECRDC)

- Josette Koets called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.
- Penny Simonsen reviewed the survey results in regard to commercial and industrial goals.
- The group held discussion on the goals and associated policies. Overall, the group wanted the wording to be consistent in the policies to include “commercial and industrial.” There was a discussion about the term “community leaders” that was also changed to be better understood.
- Next, there was discussion to include all commercial and industrial not just NEW commercial and industrial in the goals.
- Goal 5 and Goal 5 Policies was struck because of redundancy.
- Goal 2 policies 2g: “Building Maintenance Code” refers to the city ordinances and policies already in existence.

Penny Simonsen discussed contacting a school board member and Finlayson Depot Restoration folks about grant fund opportunities. She will invite them to our next work group meeting for a short presentation. Penny will also have materials that can be handed out at the July 4<sup>th</sup> town celebration.

Dave Auchter, Mayor, introduced the idea of expanding or having Ed Melzark as the blight officer. Several present suggested putting that on the next regular meeting agenda to be discussed and a recommendation furthered to the City Council.

**NEXT WORK GROUP MEETING:** June 30, 2025 at 1-2:30 PM at Finlayson City Hall

**NEXT REGULAR P & Z MEETING:** June 2, 2025 at 6:30-8 PM at Finlayson City Hall

Submitted by Nancy Liebelt

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Working Paper No. 1

July 1975

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